

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

September 3, 2002
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, Councilmembers Davidson, Mosher, and Noble

ABSENT: Councilmembers Creighton and Lee

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m. by Mayor Marshall, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers except Mr. Creighton and Mr. Lee were present. Mr. Mosher led the flag salute.

(a) Proclamation of Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Marshall read a proclamation declaring September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. John Rieke, MD, radiation oncologist and director of the new Prostate Seed Implant Program at Overlake Hospital Medical Center, described the program developed in partnership with the University of Washington. Dr. Rieke noted that Bellevue is the host city of the newly formed Washington State Prostate Cancer Coalition, an advocacy and research organization. Paul Sanders, Washington State Prostate Cancer Coalition, presented a copy of the organization's certificate of incorporation and encouraged men to seek prostate cancer screening.

3. Communications: Written and Oral

- (a) Richard Labrecque described nighttime noise along the Richards Road construction project due to an uneven, unstable driving surface and heavy traffic. He said the noise is so loud that he has gone without sleep on numerous occasions. He was told by City staff that the only solution is to pave the area now and then to repave later once the work is completed, resulting in increased project costs. As an option, Mr. Labrecque asked

Council to enhance traffic speed enforcement and to consider imposing a temporary restriction on nighttime traffic along the road.

- (b) John Albertson spoke in opposition to the upcoming parks and open space ballot measures, asserting that similar funds already exist in the Parks budget. He suggested the bond amount should be a lower \$25 million for park acquisition and development at the Boeing Eastgate site only.
- (c) Howard Katz, a member of the North Bellevue Senior Center Advisory Board, expressed the Board's support for the parks and open space bond measures. The bond will provide needed funds to expand the North Bellevue Community/Senior Center. Mr. Katz said the recreation needs of aging baby boomers will increase significantly by 2015. He commended the Parks Board and staff for their foresight in presenting this issue to voters.
- (d) Bill Serr expressed concern about the Parks and Community Services Board's July 25 letter to the editor of the Eastside Journal and called for the resignation of all board members.

Mayor Marshall asked staff to clarify factual information regarding the parks and open space bond measure. Parks and Community Services Director Patrick Foran said staff members are currently reviewing the accuracy of information contained in the voters pamphlet. Mr. Foran noted the assertion in the statement against the maintenance and operations levy (Proposition 2) that parks resource management and maintenance costs have increased 78 percent since 1997. One reason for the increase was the transfer of non-park maintenance functions to the Parks and Community Services Department budget as the result of a citywide reorganization in 1999. The Parks Department's budget now reflects maintenance costs for all city government facilities, and budget documents contain explanatory comments about these details.

Mr. Foran clarified that the City's park maintenance expenditures grew from \$7.1 million in 1997 to \$9.7 million in 2002, reflecting an annual increase of approximately 6.4 percent (36 percent increase overall). About half of each annual increase is attributable to inflation and the remaining increase reflects a growth in workload due to park acquisitions and development. If a per capita analysis is applied, as indicated in the statement against the levy, Mr. Foran said the increase in the parks maintenance budget comes out to 4 percent annually, or 20 percent overall between 1997 and 2002. He cautioned against the use of per capita analysis, however. Mr. Foran said city staff members are always available to help residents understand the City's financial matters.

4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.

5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy noted that construction activity for several public projects is reaching a peak as the construction season nears an end. He alerted the community to upcoming evening closures of the I-405 mainline.

6. Council Business

Deputy Mayor Degginger reported that he spoke to the King County Council this afternoon about the need for more bus service on the Eastside, as proposed in the 40/40/20 Plan by King County Executive Ron Sims. The County Council's action on the plan is scheduled for next week.

7. Approval of the Agenda

➡ Mr. Mosher moved to approve the agenda, and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 5-0.

8. Consent Calendar

➡ Mr. Degginger moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Mr. Mosher seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 5-0, and the following items were approved:

- (a) Minutes of July 15, 2002 Study Session
Minutes of July 15, 2002 Regular Session
Minutes of July 22, 2002 Extended Study Session
Minutes of July 29, 2002 Special Meeting
Minutes of August 2, 2002 Special Joint Meeting with Seattle City Council
Minutes of August 5, 2002 Study Session
Minutes of August 5, 2002 Regular Session
- (b) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending August 9, 2002, and payroll for the period July 16 through July 31, 2002.
- (c) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending August 23, 2002, and payroll for the period August 1 through August 15, 2002.
- (d) Motion to reject all bids submitted in response to Bid No. 0241 for re-roofing the Public Safety Training Center and to rebid at a later date. (CIP Plan No. PS-16)
- (e) Resolution No. 6744 authorizing the purchase of real property and an easement at the intersection of Richards Road and Bannerwood Park Road from Bellevue School District #405, in the amount of \$82,500. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-79)
- (f) Resolution No. 6742 authorizing the purchase of real property at 6559 161st Place SE from Cecil and Joanne H. Pollard, in the amount of \$268,500 plus closing costs. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-115)

- (g) Ordinance No. 5407 amending Bellevue City Code 14.35.120 to provide compensation to the City at full appraised value of vacated areas which have been dedicated right-of-way for twenty-five years or more.

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use: None.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

- (a) Resolution No. 6743 allowing the de-annexation of three parcels of land to the Town of Beaux Arts as authorized by RCW 35.10.217(2).

Mayor Marshall acknowledged representatives of the Town of Beaux Arts in the audience.

Nicholas Matz, Senior Planner, explained that the City received a request from the Town of Beaux Arts to consider de-annexing three parcels along the border of the two jurisdictions. All three parcels contain private homes, with each homeowner's property located in two jurisdictions. Staff recommends de-annexation as a "good neighbor" action in recognition of the integrity of these existing neighborhoods and parcels.

➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6743, and Mr. Mosher seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6743 carried by a vote of 5-0.

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New business: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Adjournment

Mayor Marshall said Council would like to postpone further discussion of the potential public safety/civic center facility [Study Session Agenda Item 2(a)] until next week when all Councilmembers are present. At 8:35 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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